

**APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING CONTAINER FILLING IN AN  
ASEPTIC PROCESSING APPARATUS**

**ABSTRACT**

5           An apparatus and method for filling aseptic containers  
with an aseptic product in an aseptic processing apparatus.  
An apparatus including a valve mechanism for controlling the  
opening or closing of a valve. The aseptic product is  
delivered through the valve to the aseptic container. The  
valve mechanism remains in a sterile tunnel, preventing  
contaminants from being carried into the aseptic product.